

MRS. HARRY THAW DENIES MARRIAGE

States That Only Ceremony Performed Was the One in Pittsburgh.

THE COUPLE NOT MARRIED IN EUROPE

Confusion Arose Through Mrs. Thaw's Misunderstanding of a Question Over the Telephone—Official Denial Through Attorneys.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, July 5.—Judge Olcott said today that Mrs. Thaw's statement of several days ago, in which she declared that she and Harry Thaw were married in Europe and that the ceremony in Pittsburgh was performed solely upon the request of Thaw's mother, was made under a misapprehension. He said that the confusion arose through Mrs. Thaw's misunderstanding of a question on the telephone, and that, as a matter of fact, the ceremony was performed in Pittsburgh. The first and only marriage ceremony was the one performed in Pittsburgh.

Roger O'Mara, former superintendent of police of Pittsburgh, who had been summoned here by counsel for Thaw, had a conference with Judge Olcott this afternoon. Mrs. Thaw was present during part of the interview, and had to talk with Mr. O'Mara. The detective will immediately start West in charge of a corps of men to gather all possible information that will help Thaw gain his freedom.

Consultation in the Tombs.

Harry Thaw, his counsel, former Judge Olcott, and Mrs. Thaw, held a long consultation in the Tombs today. At its conclusion Judge Olcott said he wished to add his own denial to that of Assistant District Attorney Garvan, who had referred to the state of the affidavit alleged to have been made by Mrs. Thaw in a contemplated suit against Thaw, previous to their marriage.

"You can't make the denial of that story too strong, too positive," said Judge Olcott. "No such affidavit exists, nor was any such suit instituted, or even contemplated. It is an absolute lie, manufactured out of whole cloth, by some enemy of Harry Thaw."

Mrs. Thaw, who was present at the time, was asked if she had anything to say on the subject.

"I have nothing to add to what Judge Olcott has just told you," she said.

Detective on Stand.

Private Detective Beroff, who was engaged to shadow Harry K. Thaw, on behalf of the late Stanford White, was examined by Assistant District Attorney Garvan today. During the examination he said that he was engaged to do the watching by Abraham H. Hummel, of the legal firm of Howe and Hummel and Delancy Nicolli, to both of whom he furnished copies of his reports on the work accomplished.

Mr. Garvan sent both to Mr. Hummel and Mr. Nicolli for the reports in question, which he now has in his possession, but to which he has not yet given his attention.

Conflicting stories as to the existence or non-existence of an affidavit made by Evelyn Nesbit in a breach of promise suit, which she took steps to bring against Harry Kendall Thaw prior to her trip to Europe and marriage to him later, were told today by persons interested in the investigation of the Thaw-White murder.

Breach of Promise Affidavit.

Early in the day Assistant District Attorney Garvan was quoted as saying that, that it was known there the Nesbit girl had visited the office of Howe and Hummel; that she had a consultation with Mr. Hummel, and it is alleged that the affidavit in question was the result of that interview, the case being Mr. Hummel's matter, and not a part of the office business.

It was further stated that while the district attorney's office had learned the affidavit was really made, it had been destroyed upon the reconciliation of the Nesbit girl and young Thaw. The report was a further report current to-night that the district attorney's office had been informed that a record of the alleged affidavit exists, is available and will play a prominent part in the evidence introduced by the prosecution at Thaw's trial.

NINTH ANNUAL SUMMARY OF DEATHS AND INJURIES

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, July 5.—The Tribune today publishes its ninth annual summary of the deaths and injuries caused throughout the United States by yesterday's celebration of the Declaration of Independence. The figures run up to an early hour today were as follows:

Deaths, 38. By fireworks, 9; by cannon, 1; by firearms, 11; by explosives, 1; by toy pistols, 4; by runaway, 1; by drowning, 5. Injured, 2,788. Firearms, 1,599; by explosion, 67; by toy pistols, 304; by runaway, 55. Fire loss, \$55,450.

ROOSEVELT AND BRYAN ARE URGED TO ATTEND

(By Associated Press.)

DENVER, July 5.—Invitations were today extended to Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States, and William Howard Taft, to attend the sixteenth annual convention of the International League of Press Clubs, which will meet here from August 27th to September 1st. Mr. Roosevelt is being urged to attend, not as President, but as an author, and Mr. Bryan as an editor and publisher.

LIEUT. BLOUNT HERE AND MAY RECOVER



SERGEANT FRANK B. BLOUNT.

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Sensational Escape of G. B. Smith, Who Passed Worthless Checks.

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His Wife, Who Was in the Store, Prostrated by the Affair.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DANVILLE, VA., July 5.—G. B. Smith, the local manager for the Mehlin and Krueger Piano Company, of Roanoke, made a sensational escape from being arrested to-night on the charge of passing worthless checks, and obtaining money under false pretenses. Smith has been in Danville for about nine months, and on yesterday had checks amounting to four or five hundred dollars, cashed by various merchants. The checks were drawn on the Bank of Danville and signed "the Mehlin and Krueger Piano Company," by G. B. Smith, agent. Payment was refused to-day, and Smith was arrested this afternoon on complaint of one of the parties just as he and his wife were in the act of leaving the city on a train.

The holder of the check was made good for his loss, and Smith released. To-night other complaints came to the police, and two officers went to his store on Main Street to arrest him. Smith drew a revolver, and pointing the weapon in their faces, made them sit down and remain until he had left the building.

When he left, he locked the front door. He is still at large. His wife, who was in the store with him, is prostrate over the affair.

LUMPKIN WILL WITHDRAW FROM SENATORIAL RACE

(By Associated Press.)

CHARLESTON, S. C., July 5.—A special from Columbia to-night says that Colonel W. W. Lumpkin has withdrawn from the senatorial race. This leaves the field clear for Mr. Tillman's reelection. Mr. Lumpkin has issued the following statement:

"On account of conditions surrounding the senatorial race, I deem it best to withdraw from the contest. I have endeavored to conduct my campaign in a manly, straightforward way up to this time, and retire feeling that I have not intentionally wronged any one."

(Signed) W. W. LUMPKIN.

No cause is assigned for this move, but the hopelessness of the fight, as generally conceded by the press, may have brought the matter to a climax.

FOUR MEN ARE DROWNED WHILE CROSSING RIVER

(By Associated Press.)

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., July 5.—Four men were drowned in St. John's River today when a small row-boat, carrying the dead James Robinson, Charles Richardson, Adam Hall and Shad Green, all employees of the Amour fertilizer factory, was overturned in the river.

There were six men in the boat, overloading it, and it capsized. John Hall and Babe Sargent were saved.

THE ROUND-UP OF THE CASUALTIES

(By Associated Press.)

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SUITS AGAINST ICE COMPANIES

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LITTLE ROCK, ARK., July 5.—Attorney-General Rogers and prosecuting Attorney Rhoads today filed suits against the Consumers Ice Company, C. C. Craft Ice Company and the Retail Grocers Ice Company, under the anti-trust law, alleging a combination to prevent healthy competition. The Attorney-General asks for an assessment of the penalty of \$5,000 against each for every day since March 25th. Suits were also brought against Morris & Co. of New Jersey, for a penalty of \$10,000 and costs, for alleged conspiracy. Morris & Co. are packers, and also ice dealers.

Public Concert To-Night

Chimborazo Park, 8:30-10:30.

THOMAS TAGGART MAKES STATEMENT

New York World Imposed on by False and Scandalous Stories.

WILL NOT OFFER HIS RESIGNATION

Says Court Records Will Show That Every Effort Has Been Made to Suppress the Gambling at French Lick Springs Hotel.

(By Associated Press.)

FRENCH LICK SPRINGS, IND., July 5.—Thomas Taggart, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, today gave the Associated Press a statement made in reply to the demand by the New York World that he resign the national chairmanship of the Democratic committee.

World Imposed Upon.

"The New York World has allowed itself to be imposed upon by the false and scandalous publications of a rival newspaper whose editor is my personal enemy for reasons best known to himself."

"There has been no raid, nor attempt at raid, upon the French Lick Springs Hotel, nor has anything been thought of, save by Mr. Hearst and his correspondents."

"A building owned by the French Lick Springs Company, wholly disconnected from the hotel property, was leased to the New York World for billiards and a bowling alley, with a strong clause against gambling in the lease. After a time this tenant permitted gambling. We brought suit for possession on the ground of the breach of that provision in the lease, and recovered judgment. He appealed the case, and it is pending for trial in the present term of court. The State authorities have supplemented our efforts to recover possession by raiding that building, and that is all there is to the grossly sensational publication in which the World has placed credence."

Proposition Preposterous.

"The French Lick Springs Hotel has not tolerated and will not tolerate gambling in any form on its premises, which is attested by the court records, which show our efforts to suppress it, and it is well known to Mr. Hearst, who, with such knowledge, continues the publication of his vindictive and malicious falsehoods. I regret that the World has seen fit to dignify these malicious falsehoods by editorial mention."

"The proposition that I should resign is preposterous. It deserves and will receive no attention."

(Signed) "T. TAGGART."

Attention is called by intimate friends of Mr. Taggart, who are usually authorized to speak for him, to the fact that on June 7th the Indiana Democratic convention unanimously endorsed W. J. Bryan for the presidential nomination, and to the fact that the attacks on Mr. Taggart followed the Bryan endorsement, being apparently attributed to the influence of National Chairman Taggart.

MR. CLEVELAND ILL AT HIS PRINCETON HOME

Brought from New England When Taken, and Said to Be Resting Easy Now.

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, July 5.—A telegram was received to-night saying that former President Grover Cleveland was sick at his home in Princeton, N. J., and would be unable to come West to-morrow, as he had intended. Mr. Cleveland and James H. Eckles, formerly controller of currency, had planned a fishing trip in Wisconsin, but Mr. Eckles was informed to-night that Mr. Cleveland would be unable to keep the engagement on account of illness. The telegram did not state the nature of Mr. Cleveland's illness.

PRINCETON, N. J., July 5.—Former President Grover Cleveland is ill at his home here, but how seriously is not known outside the family circle. A telephone message from the Cleveland home to-night gave the information that he was resting easy. Mr. Cleveland became ill at his summer home in New England, and decided to come to Princeton, and arrived here last night.

It was learned late to-night that Mr. Cleveland is suffering from an attack of asthma, to which he is subject. His condition is not serious.

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This coroner's jury returned a verdict this afternoon that the death was due to pistol wounds inflicted by his nephew, Cornelius Kidd. A warrant has been issued charging Cornelius Kidd with the murder, and Chief of Police Goode and Policeman Garvey have been searching for him all day in Alexandria and Fairfax counties.

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The Navy Department has been advised that the Osceola has left on the search. The Laurel was fully provisioned. Her officers are C. L. Cosgrove, Jr., master; A. W. G. Taylor, first mate; Robert R. Knowles, second mate; William H. Demeritt, engineer, and Charles Peterson, assistant engineer. In addition she carried a crew of fourteen men.

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GETTING READY FOR THE CAMPAIGN

Material Now Being Prepared From Speeches of Recent Session.

THE ASSIGNMENT OF THE SPEAKERS

Race Question Has Made Itself Apparent in Acute Form in Belmont, Addition to Washington—Latter Day Kuklux Klan.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 5.—The Democratic Congressional Committee, which will have charge of the campaign this fall, is getting into smooth working order at headquarters in this city. The force of clerks and employees has not been filled out entirely, but within a month there will be no more vacancies. Secretary Charles A. Edwards is the executive man in charge at the committee rooms in the Munsey building, although Chairman Griggs is here now and will be the greater part of the campaign. Necessity will require him to make trips to various parts of the country for the purpose of ascertaining exact conditions, and he will pay several visits to his own district down in Georgia, although his constituents promise him that there shall be no necessity for his devoting any part of his energies to his own district.

Campaign Literature.

In addition to Mr. Griggs, Representatives John Wesley Gaines, of Tennessee, and Eaton J. Bowers, of Mississippi, are at headquarters and will be there a great portion of the time during the campaign. They are engaged in preparing campaign material from the Democratic speeches delivered during the recent session, and many thousands of copies of several speeches will be sent out. The speech which will be most widely distributed is that delivered by Representative Baines, of Illinois, the lone Democratic representative from that State, on the watch trust. This was one of the ablest criticisms and denunciations of the protective tariff policy that has been heard in Congress in many a day. It has engaged for months in collecting from abroad various styles or watches sold by the trust, and it is likely that the United States will be selected as the country in which the board of arbitration will meet.

The speeches, some of which have been charged the home buyer. His comparison of the "domestic" price with the foreign price, and the advantages of a high tariff for the protection of American industries. The editing of this speech has been completed, and the copies intended for distribution will be ready in a few days.

The Wavering Voter.

Much of the literature will be sent out from the Washington headquarters, but much will be sent to the local headquarters. The literature is in that city quarters. The literature is in that city quarters. The literature is in that city quarters.

Assignment of Speakers.

The assignment of speakers will constitute a large portion of the work of the campaign committee. This has not yet begun, but a list of speakers is being made up, and the speakers will soon be receiving orders.

The committee is much interested today in a report that the Republicans of Tennessee are planning a coup by which they hope to capture the governorship of that State. Of course, the Congressional Committee has nothing to do with purely State fights, but it is feared that a movement which would induce a majority of the voters of a State to vote for a Republican candidate for the governorship might elect some Republican members of Congress as well.

Voted for Force Bill.

The information received at Democratic headquarters is to the effect that H. Clay Evans, the Republican candidate for the governorship, is to be withdrawn a week or two before the election, and G. N. Tillman, of Nashville, is to be substituted on the ticket. In return for this drawing from the fight for the governorship, Mr. Evans is to be nominated for the Senate by acclamation, an empty honor, as the Legislature will be Democratic and will elect ex-Governor Taylor to the Senate.

The reasons assigned for the proposed withdrawal of Mr. Evans are that Tillman is stronger with the people, owing to the fact that Mr. Evans is not a native of the State, and has not a native class record in Congress. Evans is a native of the State, and has a native class record in Congress. Evans is a native of the State, and has a native class record in Congress.

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